

MINUTES OF THE  
MAG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
June 12, 2013  
MAG Office, Saguaro Room  
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| David Cavazos, Phoenix, Chair  | # Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park                           |
| Amber Wakeman for Dr. Spencer Isom,<br>El Mirage                       | Brenda Fischer, City of Maricopa                             |
| # Anna McCray for George Hoffman,<br>Apache Junction                   | Scott Butler for Christopher Brady, Mesa                     |
| Charlie McClendon, Avondale  | * Jim Bacon, Paradise Valley                                 |
| * Stephen Cleveland, Buckeye   | Carl Swenson, Peoria   |
| Gary Neiss, Carefree   | John Kross, Queen Creek                                      |
| * Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek  | * Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa<br>Indian Community |
| Rich Dlugas, Chandler  | * Dan Worth, Scottsdale                                      |
| Charles Montoya, Florence  | Chris Hillman, Surprise                                      |
| Alfonso Rodriguez for Phil Dorchester,<br>Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation | Andrew Ching, Tempe  |
| Ken Buchanan, Fountain Hills   | # Chris Hagen for Reyes Medrano, Tolleson                    |
| Rick Buss, Gila Bend   | Joshua Wright, Wickenburg                                    |
| * David White, Gila River Indian Community                             | Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown                                   |
| Marc Skocypec for Patrick Banger, Gilbert                              | John Nelson for John Halikowski, ADOT                        |
| Brent Stoddard for Dick Bowers, Glendale                               | John Hauskins for Tom Manos,<br>Maricopa County              |
| Brian Dalke, Goodyear  | John Farry for Steve Banta,<br>Valley Metro/RPTA             |
| * Bill Hernandez, Guadalupe  |  |
- \* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.  
# Participated by telephone conference call.      + Participated by videoconference call.

1.     Call to Order

The meeting of the MAG Management Committee was called to order by Chair David Cavazos at 12:00 p.m.

2.     Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Darryl Crossman, Anna McCray, and Chris Hagen joined the meeting via teleconference.

Chair Cavazos welcomed to the Management Committee two new members: Brenda Fischer, City Manager from the City of Maricopa, and Charles Montoya, Town Manager from the Town of Florence. Their agencies' memberships in MAG were formalized at the May 22, 2013, MAG Regional Council meeting. Chair Cavazos invited Ms. Fischer and Mr. Montoya to say a few words.

Ms. Fischer expressed appreciation on behalf of the City of Maricopa to be members of MAG and said that the City looked forward to working on joint projects with MAG. She noted that Intergovernmental Manager Paul Jepson and Development Services Director Bob Goodhue were present at the meeting.

Mr. Montoya expressed his appreciation to be a partner with MAG and said that the Town looks forward to working on joint programs. He stated that the Town Assistant Manager Jess Knudson, who also works on transportation projects, was present at the meeting.

Chair Cavazos then proceeded to agenda announcements. He said that on June 6, 2013, the MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council recommended approval of the Resolution of Support for agenda item #5H. He noted information at each place: the material for agenda items #5B, #5F and #5G (previously transmitted by email) and a packet of information regarding the University projects and the Institute for Flexible Technology for agenda item #6.

Chair Cavazos announced that public comment cards were available to members of the public who wish to comment. Parking validation for those who parked in the MAG parking garage was available from staff and transit tickets were available from Valley Metro/RPTA for those who purchased transit tickets to come to the meeting.

### 3. Call to the Audience

Chair Cavazos stated that Call to the Audience provides an opportunity to the public to address the Management Committee on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard. Public comments have a three minute time limit. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Committee requests an exception to this limit.

Chair Cavazos recognized public comment from Dianne Barker, who noted that she would be 65 years old on Saturday and she hoped to go visit her mother, who is 91. Ms. Barker expressed appreciation for the transit ticket and explained how she uses them to introduce women to transit. She explained that many people have grown up not knowing how to access transit. Ms. Barker said that she thought people should look at transit options mentioned in public comments by Joseph Ryan: A system that could be built quicker because the infrastructure is prefabricated, could save money because it would go to the backs of stores and deliver goods from warehouses, and has one level for express routes and one level for local routes. Chair Cavazos thanked Ms. Barker for her comments and wished her a happy birthday.

Chair Cavazos recognized public comment from John Rusinek, who said he has had dust problems on a neighboring driveway for 8.5 years. He said that he has spoken to more than 30 City of Phoenix employees, Maricopa County employees, and an Ombudsman, but none would read the ordinance or his log that showed usage of the driveway. Mr. Rusinek stated that it seems people would want to fix the problem because it is a health hazard. He stated that there have been three attempts to fix the dust problem, the city stopped the first two attempts and too large rocks were used in the third attempt. Mr. Rusinek stated that he wonders what the city and county have against him. He reported his meeting when the ombudsman gave him a copy of the ordinance with the section marked that pertains to non-dustproofed driveways. Chair Cavazos thanked Mr. Rusinek for his comments.

#### 4. Executive Director's Report

Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, reported on items of interest in the MAG region. Mr. Smith stated that the Connecting Caring Communities Conference was held on May 14, 2013, at the Black Canyon Conference Center in Phoenix. He noted that the Cities of Phoenix and Tempe, Benevillia, and SunHealth collaborated on the event. Mr. Smith stated that Grantmakers in Aging and the Pfizer Foundation sponsored the event. He said that polls show that senior centers will need to have a different focus for the upcoming users – the baby boomers – who have indicated they will not utilize them as they currently operate.

Mr. Smith stated that approximately 500 people attended the public hearing for the South Mountain Freeway project and more than 4,000 comments were received. He applauded the Arizona Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration for the excellent job on organizing the hearing. Mr. Smith stated that the Record of Decision is expected in mid 2014 and hopefully, the direction will be known by the end of December 2014.

Mr. Smith stated that representatives from the City of Obregon, Mexico, visited MAG to discuss future collaboration and the City has invited a delegation from MAG to visit its region. He noted that the Economic Development Committee is involved in the trip and Mr. Smith would keep the Management Committee informed.

Mr. Smith stated that the MAG Regional Council meeting and Passing of the Gavel ceremony and a reception will be held on June 19, 2013, at the Phoenix Downtown Sheraton. He reported that the annual meeting with election of officers begins at 5:00 p.m., followed by the networking reception and ceremony at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Smith stated that the Regional Council, Transportation Policy Committee, Economic Development Committee, and Management Committee have been sent invitations via email. He encouraged forwarding the invitation to councilmembers and business leaders.

Mr. Smith displayed the approved map of the MAG Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary. He noted that the new boundary allowed membership by the Town of Florence and the City of Maricopa. Mr. Smith stated that Pinal County, also eligible to become a member of MAG, passed

a Resolution to join MAG, and their membership will be taken up at the June 19, 2013, Regional Council meeting.

Mr. Smith stated that he and MAG staff visited the inland port operating in Tucson. He said that its location near Interstate 10 provides opportunity for shipments from Mexico and California. Mr. Smith noted that the port is a family venture and is an example of what one person can accomplish.

Mr. Smith stated that the City of Nogales, Sonora, is investigating establishing its own business incubator and would like to take a tour of the incubators in this region and to collaborate with MAG. He stated that a tour of incubators in Chandler, Phoenix, Scottsdale, and Surprise is planned for June 25, 2013. Mr. Smith stated that elected officials will greet the visitors at each location. He added that Innovate Calgary (Calgary is a sister city to Phoenix) has also been invited to attend the tour.

Chair Cavazos thanked Mr. Smith for his report.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

Chair Cavazos stated that agenda items #5A, #5B, #5C, #5D, #5E, #5F, #5G, #5H, and #5I were on the Consent Agenda.

Chair Cavazos asked members if they had questions or requests to hear a presentation on any of the Consent Agenda items. None were noted. He asked if there were any requests to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. None were noted.

Chair Cavazos recognized public comment from Ms. Barker, who requested to speak on agenda item 5A. Ms. Barker stated that she did not want her comments about Mr. Ryan being construed as putting him down because she held him in the highest esteem. Ms. Barker commented that Vice Chair Isom and Pat Vint were friendly to each other after last month's meeting. She said she had never seen MAG state specifically what is within its jurisdiction. Ms. Barker suggested jurisdictions do more mediation in cases such as Mr. Rusinek's. Chair Cavazos thanked Ms. Barker for her comments.

With no further discussion, Chair Cavazos called for a motion.

Mr. McClendon moved to recommend approval of Consent Agenda items #5A, #5B, #5C, #5D, #5E, #5F, #5G, #5H, and #5I. Mr. Swenson seconded. Chair Cavazos asked if there was any discussion of the motion. Being none, the vote on the motion passed unanimously.

5A. Approval of the May 8, 2013, Meeting Minutes

The MAG Management Committee, by consent, approved the May 8, 2013, meeting minutes.

5B. Project Changes – Amendment and Administrative Modification to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and to the Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update and Amendment to the FY 2013 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

The MAG Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of amendments and administrative modifications to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and as appropriate, to the Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update, and amendment to the FY 2013 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add CMAQ 2013 for MAG planning. The fiscal year (FY) 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update were approved by the MAG Regional Council on July 28, 2010, and have been modified 25 times, most recently on May 22, 2013. Since then, there is a need to modify projects in the programs. The project changes in Table E under the Transit heading relate to the final closeout of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds, which was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama in February 2009. The ARRA legislation required all Federal Transit Administration funds to be obligated by September 30, 2010. It also required all ARRA funds be drawn down/reimbursed by September 30, 2013. As of January 2013, \$11 million of ARRA funds had not been expended and reimbursed. At the February 2013 meeting, the MAG Transit Committee approved the recommendation to allocate any unspent ARRA funds by May 31, 2013, to operations or preventive maintenance utilizing the approved May 25, 2011, distribution methodology. As of June 1, 2013, \$3,721,455 of ARRA funds related to the project savings from the park and rides in Mesa and Scottsdale, and the LINK bus route improvements in Chandler have been reallocated to operations based on the approved methodology and presented in the project change sheet in Table E under the Transit heading on page 4. Also included in Table E are project changes requested by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), MAG, and member agencies that include new projects, amendments, budget adjustments, and administrative changes. The requested project changes are included in Table E under the Highway heading and require conformity consultation. On May 23, 2013, the Transportation Review Committee (TRC) recommended projects in Table E for approval. Changes since the TRC recommended the listings were tinted in yellow. ADOT has requested project changes that include amendments, budget adjustments, advancements, deferrals, and administrative changes on the Regional Transportation Plan Freeway Program and to other ADOT projects. Projects to be amended may require conformity determinations and final approval will be contingent on a finding of conformity. The requested project changes are included in Table C and were recommended for approval by the Transportation Review Committee on April 25, 2013.

5C. Arterial Life Cycle Program Status Report – December 2012 Through April 2013

The Arterial Life Cycle (ALCP) Program Status Report provides detail about the status of projects, revenues, and other relevant program information for the period between December 2012 and April 2013. This is the Program's seventeenth Status Report and the second published in FY 2013. The December 2012 through April 2013 ALCP Status Report was presented to the Transportation Review Committee on May 23, 2013, for information and discussion.

5D. Request to Amend the FY 2013 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Provide for an Agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad to Provide MAG Funding to the Union Pacific Railroad for Preliminary Engineering Review for Grade Crossing Recommendations

The MAG Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval to amend the FY 2013 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to provide for an agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) for UPRR staff to review and approve preliminary engineering plan-sets within the current MAG On-call study, Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Rail Crossing Recommendations, for an amount not to exceed \$8,000. In conducting this study, it is now necessary to receive technical information from the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR). The resulting review by the UPRR engineering staff will assist MAG in identifying physical and operating requirements for proposed railroad/pedestrian/bicycle improvements along select, unprotected railroad crossings in the Southeast Valley. Currently, there are no private or canal oriented crossings outside the Southeast Valley. Ideas from this effort may be useful in other parts of the region. Safety is a major concern at these crossings, specifically at private roadways, canal crossings, and trail crossings. In most cases, these crossings may not provide adequate safety signage or grade crossing protection beyond what is legally required of the railroad. Due to the amount of time that UPRR engineering staff is utilizing on public projects such as this, UPRR is requesting a Preliminary Engineering Agreement for public agencies (such as MAG and ADOT) that would permit their staff to work with, assist and advise in order to allocate the necessary staff time to see the project through to completion. UPRR has been implementing this new payment plan and financial agreement with each new or ongoing study or work project since 2012. Once completed, the study will establish regional guidelines that may be applied to both existing and future bicycle/pedestrian paths. Staff recommended amending the FY 2013 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to provide for an agreement with the UPRR for staff to review and approve preliminary engineering plan-sets within the current MAG On-call study, Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Rail Crossing Recommendations for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.

5E. Update on the MAG 2012 Five Percent Plan for PM-10 and Exceptional Events

On April 19, 2013, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed approval of several statutes included in the MAG 2012 Five Percent Plan for PM-10 that regulate PM-10 emissions from fugitive dust sources. The statutes include measures for targeting unpaved roads, alleys and shoulders; leaf blower restrictions; restrictions for parking, maneuvering, ingress and egress areas and vacant lots; requirement for certified street sweepers; dust control training; and onsite dust control coordinators. The EPA review of the 17 packages of documentation for the remaining 26 exceptional event days in 2011 and 2012 is in progress. On April 30, 2013, the Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona against EPA for failure to take action on the MAG 2012 Five Percent Plan for PM-10 by February 14, 2013. The Center is requesting that the Court order EPA to promulgate a Federal Implementation Plan. Also, on May 10, 2013, EPA issued Interim Exceptional Events Implementation Guidance, which includes very few improvements. In late 2013 or early 2014, EPA anticipates proposing revisions to the Exceptional Events Rule and finalizing them in late

2014 or early 2015. The rulemaking process will include a public comment period. The EPA guidance documents are posted on the MAG website at:  
[http://www.azmag.gov/Documents/EP\\_2013-05-28\\_EPA-Interim-Exceptional-Events-Implementation-Guidance.pdf](http://www.azmag.gov/Documents/EP_2013-05-28_EPA-Interim-Exceptional-Events-Implementation-Guidance.pdf).

5F. New Finding of Conformity for the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update, As Amended

The MAG Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of the new Finding of Conformity for the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update, as amended. On July 28, 2010, the MAG Regional Council approved the Fiscal Year 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) 2010 Update. Since that time, an amendment to the TIP and RTP 2010 Update is required for Arizona Department of Transportation projects in the Freeway Life Cycle Program and for various Arterial Life Cycle Program projects. MAG has conducted a conformity analysis for the proposed amendment and the results of the regional emissions analysis, when considered together with the TIP and RTP as a whole, indicate that the amendment will not contribute to violations of federal air quality standards. On May 17, 2013, a 30-day public review period began on the conformity assessment and amendment. Comments were requested by June 19, 2013.

5G. Conformity Consultation

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for an amendment and administrative modification to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update. The amendment and administrative modification involve several projects, including various projects for the Arizona Department of Transportation, El Mirage, Glendale, Litchfield Park, Maricopa County, and Phoenix. The amendment includes projects that may be categorized as exempt from conformity determinations. The administrative modification includes minor project revisions that do not require a conformity determination.

5H. Resolution of Support for the Start By Believing Campaign

The MAG Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of the Resolution of Support for the Start By Believing Campaign through End Violence Against Women International. Start By Believing is an international awareness campaign focusing on the public's response to sexual assault, which is a common component of domestic violence. Developed by End Violence Against Women International, the purpose of the campaign is to improve the way communities respond to sexual assault. According to the United States Department of Justice, only 40 percent of sexual assaults are reported. The goal is for communities to address sexual crimes in a way that helps to remove victims' fears of not being believed by the criminal justice system. Support of the Start By Believing campaign will increase the safety of victims of sexual assault and hold more offenders accountable. On June 6, 2013, the MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council recommended approval of the resolution.

5I. Approval of the 2013 MAG Socioeconomic Projections for Resident Population, Housing and Employment by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone for July 1, 2020, 2030 and 2040

The MAG Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of the MAG resident population, housing and employment by Municipal Planning Area (MPA) and Regional Analysis Zone (RAZ) for July 1, 2020, 2030 and 2040 and the resolution. In accordance with Executive Order 2011-04, MAG prepares sub-regional socioeconomic projections. These projections are used as input to the transportation and air quality models and County projections prepared by the Arizona Department of Administration and approved by the Regional Council in December 2012. In collaboration with member agency staff, MAG has prepared draft socioeconomic projections for population, housing, and employment for July 1, 2020, 2030, and 2040 by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone. All input data, methods, and assumptions used to prepare the draft projections have been reviewed by members of MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC) and other member agencies. Three draft sets of projections were reviewed by member agencies and revised based on input and updated data received. A resolution was also prepared. The resulting projections of population, housing and employment by Municipal Planning Area (MPA) and Regional Analysis Zone (RAZ) for July 1, 2020, 2030, and 2040 and the resolution were recommended for approval by the MAG POPTAC on May 28, 2013. The complete drafts of the MAG 2013 Socioeconomic Projections and documentation are available on the MAG website:

[https://www.azmag.gov/Information\\_Services/Draft\\_2013\\_Socioeconomic\\_Projections.asp](https://www.azmag.gov/Information_Services/Draft_2013_Socioeconomic_Projections.asp).

6. Improving Arizona's National Competitiveness in Grant Making for Economic Development

Greg Raupp from Arizona State University (ASU), stated that the Memorandum of Understanding between colleges and universities and MAG to support research, innovation and entrepreneurial grant proposals is on track. He then addressed the Committee on an opportunity that was recently discussed with the Economic Development Committee. Mr. Raupp said that the focus of today's presentation would be on flexible electronics and introduced Nick Colaneri who leads ASU's flexible display center.

Mr. Colaneri stated that he has led ASU's flexible display center for the past four and one-half years. The center is a ten-year, \$100 million effort funded by the U. S. Army. He said that ASU was awarded the funds through a competitive bid over entities such as Cornell University, Princeton University, and the University of Texas. Mr. Colaneri stated that they purchased an old Motorola facility in Tempe and have been developing technology for flat screen technology that wraps around a wrist. He noted that this technology is beginning to be commercialized worldwide. Mr. Colaneri stated that there are economic benefits to local companies and they think there are opportunities to leverage the Army's investment through some upcoming grant opportunities. He advised that these opportunities will require the support of the local business community and the state legislature.

Mr. Raupp stated that the upcoming opportunity is through a national initiative, called the National Network for Manufacturing Innovation, that President Obama announced a little over



one year ago. Mr. Raupp stated that the President put in a \$1 billion request to the National Institute of Standards and Technologies budget and has indicated he will go forward with a number of these institutes by executive order. He stated that the National Network for Manufacturing Innovation initiative is an economic development initiative and means high-tech jobs and wages. Mr. Raupp stated that the flexible electronics technology is high on the federal government priority list and will be on next year's call. He added that even though he thinks that ASU is the best suited entity in the nation to lead this effort, it is a competition. Mr. Raupp remarked that the support of local governments is needed and is expected to be a true collaboration among the university, government, and industry. Mr. Raupp stated that the initiative's funding is expected to be \$70 million over five years, or approximately \$14 million per year, and the federal funders expect there to be matching funds from all entities.

Mr. Raupp referenced the fact sheet that was included in the agenda packet that highlights the initiative. He said that local governments can help by creating an environment where manufacturing innovation can flourish, by growing the ecosystem, by developing a strong and dynamic workforce, and by directing co-investment.

Mr. Raupp stated that he and Mr. Colaneri just returned from a visit to the Fraunhofer Institutes in Germany that does research and development for the advancement of industry. He stated that they discussed establishing a Fraunhofer facility here that would focus on flexible electronics. Mr. Raupp stated that discussions are proceeding well and they anticipate the effort will move forward.

Mr. Raupp stated that GPEC had applied for an EDA planning grant called Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership. He explained that the grant is up to \$25 million from the federal government for economic development planning and investment. Mr. Raupp stated that they hope to win the grant and then work in partnership with MAG member agencies.

Mr. Cavazos thanked Mr. Raupp and Mr. Colaneri for their reports and asked if there were questions.

Mr. Smith stated that the germ for the Memorandum of Understanding began at an East Valley Partnership meeting where ASU President Crow spoke of a huge \$70 million grant ASU worked on with the University of Arizona. The team ended up in second place and they were the only application with no local support. Mr. Smith stated the Economic Development Committee discussed how to fix this and a memorandum of understanding was developed that included all of the colleges in the region (ASU, University of Arizona, Northern Arizona University, Thunderbird School of Global Management and Maricopa Community Colleges) and MAG. With the MOU, when the colleges need help from governmental agencies, they come to MAG and present their project to the EDC. The cities that are interested can team up with the college, and this increases their chance of winning. Mr. Smith stated that all of the colleges have agreed to sign the memorandum of understanding and they anticipate a signing ceremony with the colleges and the Economic Development Committee will take place at a future Board of Regents meeting.

7. Draft Fiscal Year 2014 Arterial Life Cycle Program

John Bullen, MAG staff, stated that the Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) implements the arterial street projects in the Regional Transportation Plan. The ALCP is updated annually with new revenue forecasts and changes to project costs and schedules. Mr. Bullen stated that costs cannot exceed available revenues per state statute and must show fiscal constraint in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) window per federal regulation.

Mr. Bullen described the three step process in the development of the ALCP. Mr. Bullen stated that first, Lead Agencies provide MAG with updated project costs and schedules. He stated that the MAG Street Committee reviews these project changes.

Mr. Bullen stated that the second step is to update program financials. He noted that the ALCP is funded with a combination of the regional half-cent sales tax and federal transportation funds. He reviewed the financials for the FY 2014 ALCP. Mr. Bullen said that forecasted half-cent sales tax revenues into the program did not change much from last year, however, the projection of federal funding into the program decreased significantly as a result of MAP-21. He noted that the impact to the FY 2014 ALCP is approximately 17 percent.

Mr. Bullen then reported on the FY 2014 ALCP program deficit. MAG staff reevaluated and adjusted program assumptions, reconciled program revenues and found some additional funding. He said they then sought direction from the Managers Working Group on program inflation and bonding.

Mr. Bullen explained the fund balance for the FY 2014 ALCP both with and without reimbursements inflated. He stated that applying inflation to the reimbursements results in a deficit within the TIP window, which is not allowed per federal regulations and would require a rebalancing. Mr. Bullen stated that the Managers Working Group directed to proceed with the FY 2014 ALCP process without using inflation. He pointed out a slight program deficit in later years and is within the revenue projections.

Mr. Bullen stated that the third step is adjusting the reimbursements. He noted that no additional funding deferrals were needed, but funding advancements to two federal projects were made to ensure that MAG's federal dollars will be spent. Mr. Bullen stated that project funding sources were shifted between the half-cent sales tax and federal transportation funds to meet cash flow needs.

Mr. Bullen stated that the FY 2014 ALCP is consistent with the FY 2013 ALCP and the only changes were those requested by the member agencies. He noted that there were no changes to the regional revenue assumptions. Mr. Bullen expressed his appreciation to the members of the Managers Working Group for their efforts on the ALCP.

Chair Cavazos thanked Mr. Bullen for his excellent report. With no questions or requests for public comment, Chair Cavazos called for a motion.

Mrs. Robinson moved to recommend approval of (1) the Draft FY 2014 Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) and (2) amendments and administrative modifications to the Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update and to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, as appropriate. Mr. Swenson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

8. Arizona Department of Transportation Loan Program and Annual Obligation Authority Request to Loan Surface Transportation Funds

Teri Kennedy, MAG staff, reported on a new Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) loan program to assist Councils of Governments (COGs), and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in the state to loan Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds that they are not able to use each year.

Ms. Kennedy stated that ADOT receives federal funds annually and has a limit on spending called Obligation Authority. She noted that Obligation Authority funds go away each year and the goal is to utilize the funds and not lose them. Ms. Kennedy stated that in the past, ADOT carried forward unused Obligation Authority, which at times can be large amounts, however, the reduction in Highway User Revenue Funds has limited ADOT's ability to do this.

Ms. Kennedy stated that ADOT has implemented a loan program to allow MPOs and COGs to loan funds among themselves to ensure that federal funds are not lost to the state. She noted that ADOT also has \$10 million available annually that it will loan out on a first-come, first-served basis.

Ms. Kennedy reviewed the requests from other agencies to MAG. (1) The City of Maricopa currently has \$540,000 of STP programmed on the Maricopa to Casa Grande Highway project scheduled to authorize and begin work in FY 2013. Due to a lapse in Conformity in the Pinal County PM 2.5 nonattainment area, no regionally significant projects can be authorized to meet the ADOT fiscal year deadline. The City of Maricopa's STP funding for the project is at risk. The City of Maricopa, ADOT, and MAG staff expect the project to be able to authorize before the end of FFY 2014. (2) The Southeastern Arizona Council of Governments (SEAGO) is estimating that \$1,120,592 of programmed STP on projects in its area cannot meet the current work schedules for federal authorization in FFY 2013 and the funding is at risk. SEAGO has requested to transfer up to \$1,120,592 FFY 2013 STP funding to MAG and requests the return of the transferred amount of STP funding in FFY 2015 on a one-to-one basis.

Ms. Kennedy stated that the request can be met by MAG for the loan and return of STP funding in the amount up to \$1,660,592 based on the FHWA and ADOT program rules. The MAG region currently has one federally authorized project underway, the Northern Parkway, with an approved and executed Advance Construction Agreement in place. She advised that the loan will help the overall balance of the MAG ALCP.

Ms. Kennedy stated that the action being requested was for MAG to take on a loan agreement for approximately \$1.6 million in STP funds in FY 2013 and repayment in FY 2014 and FY 2015.

Chair Cavazos thanked Ms. Kennedy for her report and asked if there were any questions.

Mr. McClendon asked if repayment would come from the funds of the same project that received the funds. Ms. Kennedy replied that was correct; repayment would not affect any other project. She pointed out where the projects were shown in the material for the ALCP agenda item. Ms. Kennedy noted that this loan would also help Maricopa County with carrying costs and gets the project moving faster.

Mr. Stoddard stated that Arizona sends more to Washington, D. C., than it receives back in federal funds, so it is very important to keep and use whatever federal funds it does receive. He expressed his appreciation to MAG for maintaining flexibility when needed to benefit member agencies, the region, and the state, and keep funds here as much as possible.

Ms. Kennedy added that this was an organic process. The planners from the state's COGs and MPOs got together to try and address this issue. She noted that unprogrammed federal funds are subject to recision and this process protects our funds and makes us stronger by working together. Ms. Kennedy expressed her gratitude to ADOT for participating in this process.

Chair Cavazos thanked Mr. Nelson for ADOT's program. With no further questions and no public comment cards received, Chair Cavazos called for a motion.

Mr. Dalke moved to recommend acceptance of the FY 2013 loan requests from CAG and SEAGO with the MAG region for STP funding and repayment terms in FY 2014 and FY 2015 as described in the attached memorandum and prescribed in the ADOT loan program. Mr. Stoddard seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

9. MAG 2013 Building Code Amendments and Standards Manual

Scott Wilken, MAG staff member for the MAG Building Codes Committee, stated that the Committee is one of the oldest of MAG's committees, formed in the 1960s to ensure the uniformity of building codes around the Valley. He stated that for the past 18 months, the Committee has been reviewing documents related to amendments to international building codes and other building code related standards. The reviewed documents have been compiled into the draft Building Code Amendments and Standards (BCAS) Manual, similar to the MAG Specifications and Details for Public Works Construction.

Mr. Wilken stated that adoption and use of the BCAS and the documents within it are completely optional at the discretion of the jurisdictions. Jurisdictions may adopt the BCAS in whole, or may adopt specific documents within the BCAS as they see fit. Jurisdictions may amend documents within the BCAS if desired.

Mr. Wilken stated that the BCAS Manual includes amendments to international building codes and examples include wall construction, fireblocking, concrete pad certification, and weep screed.

Local standards to supplement international building codes include sound transmission control near Luke Air Force Base that West Valley communities have adopted, earthen walls and straw bale construction, gas line relocation, approved steel fabricators program, and block wall details.

Mr. Wilken stated that the BCAS will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, and updated annually as needed. He noted that as individual documents are deemed no longer current, they will be removed from the BCAS and placed in the BCAS Historical Archive. Then, people can always go back and reference the material.

Mr. Wilken stated that the MAG Building Codes Committee recommended approval of the 2013 MAG Building Code Amendments and Standards Manual and the Building Code Amendments and Standards Historical Archive.

Chair Cavazos thanked Mr. Wilken for his report. No questions from the Committee or public comment cards were received.

Mr. Hillman moved to recommend approval of the MAG 2013 Building Code Amendments and Standards (BCAS) Manual and MAG BCAS Historical Archive as a regional model to be adopted at the discretion of individual jurisdictions. Mr. Dalke seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 10. Election of Officers

Chair Cavazos stated that each June, the positions of Chair and Vice Chair are elected by the Management Committee. According to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures, approved by the MAG Regional Council, the Chair works with members to nominate a manager for the Vice Chair position and the current Vice Chair is nominated for the position of Chair. The positions serve one-year terms.

Chair Cavazos called for nominations.

Mr. McClendon moved to elect Dr. Spencer Isom of El Mirage as Chair and Chris Brady of Mesa as Vice Chair. Mr. Buss seconded.

Chair Cavazos asked if there were any questions. Hearing none, the vote on the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Swenson stated that Dr. Isom was unable to attend the meeting today. In his place, as a past chair of the Management Committee, Mr. Swenson presented a plaque to Chair Cavazos in appreciation of his service as Chair of the MAG Management Committee for the past year. Mr. Swenson expressed that Chair Cavazos had done a great job and he appreciated the time he took from his busy schedule to chair the committee. Chair Cavazos was applauded by the committee.

Chair Cavazos thanked the committee and said it had been an honor to serve as chair. He wished that the new officers will have as positive an experience as he has had.

11. Legislative Update

No update was required.

12. Request for Future Agenda Items

Topics or issues of interest that the Management Committee would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting were requested.

No requests were noted.

13. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity was provided for Management Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Management Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

No comments were noted.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary